



State of New Mexico

Office of the Governor

Bill Richardson
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2003-042

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL FITNESS AND HEALTH

WHEREAS, the well-being of New Mexico's citizens is directly related to the quality of their physical fitness and health; and

WHEREAS, a regular program of vigorous physical activity for children and adults can reduce obesity and the risk of heart disease; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for a council to promote physical fitness through existing programs and new programs; and

WHEREAS, the development of a partnership between government, private citizens, and business will be helpful in accomplishing the goal of better physical fitness and health for all New Mexicans;

NOW THEREFORE I, Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of New Mexico, do hereby establish the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Health, which shall be instituted as follows:

1. Not more than thirty-five (35) members from the public and private sectors shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
2. The term of office for each member of the Council shall be for the duration of the Governor's term.
3. The Governor shall appoint the Chair of the Council prior to the first meeting.
4. Council members shall serve voluntarily and shall receive no pay for their services, nor shall they be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses.
5. The Council shall meet at least quarterly and not more than monthly to be determined by the Chair.
6. In making appointments to the Council, consideration will be given to geographical representation.

The duties and responsibilities of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Health are as follows:

1. To seek cooperative relationships between state agencies, educational institutions, businesses, associations and foundations to improve the availability of fitness and health activities to all citizens in New Mexico.
2. To promote programs that increase interest, enthusiasm and participation in health and fitness programs.
3. To make policy and program recommendations to the Governor relating to fitness and health.
4. To coordinate activities with the President of the United States' Council on Physical Fitness and Sports and to carry out their programs at the state level whenever feasible.

THIS ORDER supersedes any other previous orders, proclamations, or directives in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it is rescinded by the Governor.

ATTEST:



REBECCA VIGIL-GIRON
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 3rd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2003

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO



BILL RICHARDSON
GOVERNOR

